

SENATE WILL RETAIN BONUS

Senators Smoot and Warren to Offer No Objection to Continuing Item.

No objections to the restoration of the \$240 salary bonus for Federal employees will be interposed by Senators Smoot and Warren, when the matter comes before the Senate Appropriations subcommittee tomorrow morning.

It is expected that the legislative, executive, and judicial appropriation measure, with the bonus put back in it, will be favorably reported to the Senate the latter part of the week. The Senate committee probably will wait until the end of the debate on the peace treaty before reporting the bill.

To Fight in Committee.

Senator Warren is chairman of the subcommittee, and Senator Smoot its ranking majority member. The approval of these two men for the bonus makes it certain that there will be no serious fight in committee against it.

The Federal Employees' Union has determined, however, to press for its original demand that the bonus be increased to \$480 per year in the Senate. There is slight hope for the increase being granted in the upper chamber, in the view of Senators, and they say that amendments to the measure offered on the floor will serve only to complicate the situation.

Another point which is made by Senators is the fact that there is no chance whatever for the report of the reclassification commission to be considered at the present session. All of the supply measures already have been framed. Even should Congress be strongly in favor of the work of the commission, which is doubtful, the bill would be a job which it would not undertake.

The Federal Employees' Union is girding for its fight against the members of the Republican Steering Committee, who are exercising its prerogative directly responsible for the elimination of the \$240 bonus from the legislative, executive, and judicial appropriation bill.

Mr. Starnes, president of the federation, states that "the Republican leaders of the House must accept responsibility for having reduced these salaries by failing to take the necessary steps to protect the provision against the 'point of order' by means of a special rule, which they had full power to make."

"Justice for the Government Clerk" was the topic of the Rev. Earl W. Hefley, pastor of the Vermont Avenue Christian Church, yesterday morning.

"No doubt there are some inefficient and lazy clerks," he declared, "but to apply this criticism to the whole body of clerks and to punish them by a demotion in grade and a reduction in pay is an injustice that is amazing. Thousands of these faithful servants of the Government are receiving the same salary they received years ago until this bonus of \$240 was added by the last Congress."

Criticism of Minister.

"We do not hear coming from Capitol Hill, any proposition to reduce the salaries or the expenses account of members of Congress. They make liberal provision for themselves. They have clerks, clerical force, secretaries and assistant secretaries, whether the latter are needed or not."

Dr. Wilfley made reference to the fact that Congressmen were given a \$100,000 salary for the year 1919, while the average citizen was earning \$1,000.

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COLLEGE CLASS SENDS RESOLUTION TO WILSON

American University Students Feel Turk Must Be Banished From Near East.

Resolutions declaring that after-war problems of the world will not be solved until nations in the near east are relieved of Turkish oppression, were forwarded today to President Wilson by the class in political and diplomatic topics of the American University.

The sentiment of the class was embodied in the resolution which was read Saturday night at the American University by Dr. Miran Sevasly, president of the American National Union of America.

GEN. PERSHING HOLDS RECEPTION IN CHURCH

Following the opening service of the Roosevelt Church in the assembly hall for the use of the conference yesterday morning General Pershing, who was in attendance, held an impromptu reception, and shook hands with practically all who attended. He was assisted by the pastor, the Rev. E. L. Hunt, and Mrs. Hunt.

Congressman Henry T. Rainey, of Illinois delivered the principal address, and the Rev. Mr. Hunt explained that the organization of the Roosevelt Church had been named after the former President with the full consent of his family.

A letter from Harry Wardman was read donating the use of the assembly hall for the use of the conference, and the Rev. Mr. Hunt also announced that Franklin Delano Roosevelt, Assistant Secretary of the Navy, is expected to address the congregation on Sunday.

D. C. Legion May Aid Plan For Memorial Avenue to War Dead

Efforts to have the District Department of the American Legion undertake to petition the District Commissioners to set aside an avenue or street to be dedicated to the District's dead in the war will be made tomorrow night by Daniel J. Donovan, District auditor, who will attend the executive meeting of the legion and introduce a resolution endorsing the project and providing for participation in any move of this kind. He will urge the legion to take the lead.

Clifford Latham, superintendent of trees and parkings; Engineer Commissioner Charles W. Kutz, and other District officials are known to be interested in the move. The American Forestry Association has already appealed to the Commissioners to name some street or avenue, and the Vincent R. Costello Post of the Legion, Mr. Donovan's commander, went on record in favor of it at its last meeting.

Three Sites Proposed.

It is proposed to plant a tree for every District soldier, sailor, marine or nurse who died in the war. Three sites have been named: Sixteenth street, between Montague and Alaska streets; Massachusetts, between Arizona avenue and the District line, and Wisconsin avenue, between Macomb and the District line.

The District line, Sixteenth street is said to be the most desirable. To each tree so dedicated it is proposed to attach a small bronze plate, giving the name of the soldier and other data in connection with the individual's life.

The District has plenty of trees that could be used for this purpose and an executive order from the "Commissioners" would put the project in operation. Among the trees suggested for the streets named are pines, red oak and Norway maples. It has also been suggested that a day be set aside when the people of the District could gather, to dedicate and rename a roadway.

Wants "Road of Remembrance."

Mrs. Blanche A. Bellak, living in the Wardman Park Inn, in behalf of the War Mothers, of which organization she is an officer, has notified the American Forestry Association that the War Mothers seek the opportunity to plant memorial trees in the District on a "road of remembrance."

The Oldest Inhabitants' Association recently endorsed the project.

In twelve States the American Legion is taking the lead in the campaign to set aside streets or avenues in memory of the dead soldiers.

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WOMAN REMEMBERS KINDNESSES IN WILL

Henrietta M. Brightwell, by her will dated August 31, 1916, and filed for probate today, leaves \$100 cash to Mamie O. Ellis, of Herndon, Va., and Martha Brightwell Wilson, wife of Daniel Wilson, of this city, "in memory of their kindness to me."

The silverware is divided among the members of the family and the household and personal effects are given to the daughters, Mrs. Mary T. Copeland, of El Capitlan, New Mexico, and Henrietta L. Brightwell, with directions to divide the articles among the members of the family.

The rest of the estate is to go to the children, Mrs. Mary T. Copeland, Fannie Bruce Brightwell, and Henrietta L. Brightwell.

The son, Francis Bruce Brightwell, is named executor.

In a codicil dated August 17, 1917, testatrix said that June 29, 1917, she transferred to her son, Francis Bruce Brightwell, premises 2735 Macomb street northwest; Henrietta Louise Brightwell, 2735 Macomb st. northwest; and August 14, 1917, to the daughter, Mrs. Mary T. Copeland, property at 1906 Biltmore street northwest. Mrs. Brightwell died February 14 last.

DELAY ORGANIZATION OF D. C. ZONING BOARD

The Zoning Commission, to regulate the height, use, and area of buildings in the District, will not be formally organized immediately, Commissioner Charles W. Kutz, a member of the Commission, said today.

It was his opinion that the commission was approved by President Wilson last week.

Commissioner Kutz said the delay is necessitated by the illness of Col. Hefley, in charge of public buildings and grounds, and the absence of a third District Commissioner. It will be June before the commission takes any definite action, he said.

68 EXTRA TEACHERS GET JOBS IN D. C. SCHOOLS

Sixty-eight teachers will be given temporary appointments in the District's public schools this week, immediately following the signing by the President of the deficiency bill, which provides for extra teachers. These new teachers will aid greatly to relieve overburdened teachers.

Twenty-five of these teachers will be assigned to the high schools. Superintendent Thurston probably will ask for permanent appointments for these teachers at the next meeting of the Board of Education on Wednesday, March 17.

CHILD BADLY BURNED.

Florence Addison, colored, eleven years old, 124 Tenth street southeast, was severely burned about the body yesterday when her clothing became ignited from a gas heater in her home. She was taken to Casualty Hospital, where it was said her condition is serious.

VAL SCHALK FIRST IN PROBE

Open Senate Hearings on Schools Tomorrow—Old Grudges to Be Aired.

John Van Schaick, president of the Board of Education, will be the first witness called at the Senate probe of the District schools, which begins at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Senator Sherman, chairman of the subcommittee investigating the schools, states today that no summons has been issued for Mr. Van Schaick or any member of the Board of Education, but all have been requested to be present at the opening hearing.

Plans for the inquiry have not been completed. The policy of the committee probably will be determined by the nature of the testimony given at the first hearing.

The school situation will be investigated, but owing to the tense feeling and the chaotic condition produced by the controversy over the dismissal of Superintendent Thurston, it is possible that this question will be taken up before the larger aspects of the school question are considered.

Reports are current that friends of both Superintendent Thurston and Dr. Van Schaick are "acquainting" members of the Senate committee with the merits of the bitter quarrel that has sprung up between them.

Van Schaick should not be confirmed as a District Commissioner until the school question is disposed of, has created concern among the latter's friends.

Adherents of Superintendent Thurston declare that as a result of the testimony he will bring forward, Dr. Van Schaick will never become District Commissioner. This phase of the matter probably will be injected into the school hearings and a number of "ancient grudges" will be aired.

HIGH COURT "LEAK" UP TO GRAND JURY

Five Persons Within Scope of Investigation—Indictments Expected.

District Attorney Laskey, to whom facts in connection with the alleged "leak" in the Supreme Court decisions had been transmitted by the Department of Justice, has investigated them and laid the whole matter before the grand jury. It is expected indictments will be returned within a few days.

It has become known that five persons whose names are withheld came within the scope of the Department of Justice investigation. One of the leading figures is a Washington lawyer, alleged to have played stocks in Wall Street involved in Supreme Court decisions. A Supreme Court attache and a Department of Justice lawyer are also alleged to be implicated.

The Department of Justice at the time the "leak" was discovered, issued a statement saying: "The Department of Justice will submit the results of its investigation into the alleged leak of the decisions of the Supreme Court to the grand jury in the District of Columbia."

M. AND M. CREDIT MEN WILL DINE AT RALEIGH

Reports on the activities of the credit section of the Merchants and Manufacturers' Association will be submitted at a dinner meeting of the section tonight at the Raleigh Hotel. Stephen H. Taikes is in charge of arrangements for the dinner. Leo Baum, chairman of the section, is in charge of the program.

C. C. C. ELECTS OFFICERS.

Election of officers of the Columbia Country Club was held yesterday in the clubhouse at Fort Barry, Va. New officers are: President, John C. Williams; first vice president, Dr. James F. Bradley; second vice president, Lewis A. Payne; third vice president, John P. McCarron; recording secretary, P. J. Friel, and financial secretary, C. B. Guthrie. Board of governors, A. C. Spalding, Dr. J. Rozier Biggs, A. Hamilton Wilson, John J. Cannon, Frank C. Hall, George A. Daidy, F. J. P. Cleary, and Leo A. Rover.

SHIP BOARD WANTS MEN.

The United States Shipping Board has sent out calls for men to fill several thousand vacancies in its service. Applicants will be sent to school for one or two months' training, and after that they range from \$45 and allowances to \$150 a month. Men with high school education or its equivalent will be given an opportunity to become officers within a year.

HAMILTON TO SPEAK.

Walter Irving Hamilton, member of the Federal board of education, will address the members of the College Women's Club at their regular meeting tonight in the club rooms, 1822 I street northwest, at 8 o'clock. Mr. Hamilton will speak on the work of the Government in doing for disabled soldiers.

Slain Silver Burglar Identified as Man Who Broke Jersey Prison

Frank T. Ellwood, the burglar who was shot and killed by Detective Frank Alligood, several weeks ago, while attempting to recover \$5,000 worth of silver from cache in the woods between Nebraska and Massachusetts avenues, has been identified as Frank Hart, by the Bureau of Criminal Identification at Leavenworth, Kan.

A letter received today by Inspector Clifford L. Grant, chief of detectives, from the identification bureau, stated that officials of that bureau had been able to identify him as Frank Hart, received at the New Jersey State prison, in 1915, under sentence of eight and one-half to seventeen years for burglary and larceny. His record showed, the letter stated, that he escaped from prison June, 1919.

Two illustrated circulars received by the police stated that Frank Hart, who also went under the names of Chinogalle, Wilson and Parker, escaped from a New Jersey jail in 1911. Shortly after the burglar died, Detective Sergeant Fred Sandberg, the Police Department's finger print expert, took a photograph and finger prints of the dead man and sent them to the police of several cities. It was through this method that officials of the Leavenworth identification bureau made the identification.

The body of the burglar was held at the District morgue, awaiting its claim by some relative or friend. The body remained unclaimed last Friday, and was cremated in accordance with law.

4 PUBLIC HEARINGS SET FOR MARCH

Car Gas, and Electric Rate Cases Will Precede Wage Controversy.

Four public hearings, affecting users of electricity, gas, street cars, and wages of working girls and women, will be held before the board of the District building this month. In three instances the hearings will be before the Public Utilities Commission, the fourth hearing before the District Minimum Wage Board.

On March 15 the Commission will go further into its investigation to determine a fair rate for the Potomac Electric Power Company to charge for extending its lines to the new developments in the city. The complaints of excessive charges for this extension have been received by the Commission, and it is intended to establish fixed rates, to replace the present practice, which allows the company to state whether or not extensions are to be made, and what the deposit charge shall be.

The second hearing comes on Thursday, March 18, of the same week. Officials of the Washington Railway and Electric Company will appear before the Utilities Commission to plead for a straight 7-cent fare and a 2-cent charge for all transfers.

To Fight Higher Fare.

This hearing is expected to develop into a lively battle between the company and representatives of the public. William McK. Clayton will be on hand to represent the Federation of Citizens' Associations. Every effort will be made by the federation and other civic associations to prevent a higher fare.

Walter C. Allen, executive secretary of the Utilities Commission, announced today that Monday, March 22, was the date set for the public hearing to consider the petition of the Washington Gas Light Company and Georgetown Gas Light Company for continuation, from April 1 to June 1, of the present 95 cents per thousand cubic feet charge for gas.

In the afternoon of the same day the Wage Board will hold a hearing to receive protests, or other comment, on the board's approval of \$16.50 as the weekly minimum wage for domestic and girl employees of hotels, restaurants, clubs, apartment houses and hospitals. This wage is due to become effective two months following the date of the hearing.

Hotels to Make Protest.

Representatives of the hotels are going to make a protest against the wage and the hearing probably will develop into a lively debate.

With the exception of the wage hearing, which will be held at 3 o'clock, all other hearings will begin at 10 o'clock in the morning.

Together with these hearings comes the announcement of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company that it will shortly ask for higher telephone rates.

J. H. TONGE APPOINTED B. & O. TERMINAL MANAGER

J. H. Tonge, of Baltimore, who was recently appointed superintendent of the Washington terminals, Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, has assumed his duties in this city.

Prior to the taking over of the railroads by the Government, Mr. Tonge was a member of the War Board, with offices in Cumberland, Md. During Federal control he was superintendent of the Potomac district, with headquarters at Hagerstown, Md.

JOHNSTON WILL LEAVE ESTATE TO RELATIVES

Mrs. Sophy C. Johnston and her son, James M. Johnston, Jr., executors of the estate of James M. Johnston, a prominent banker of this city, who died March 1, today filed a petition to ask the court to grant them authority to administer the estate.

The petitioners, represented by Attorney William K. Quinter, say there are four heirs—the widow, Mrs. Sophy C. Johnston; the son, James M. Johnston, Jr.; and the daughters, Mary Johnston and Eleanor Johnston, the latter being a minor.

The estate left by testator, according to the petition, consists of premises 1216, Eighteenth street northwest, valued at \$28,432; 1305 F street northwest, valued at \$52,830; 1235 and 1237 G street northwest, valued at \$34,448. Property 1628 Twenty-first street northwest, has been contracted to be sold by testator.

A personal property left by testator consists of Government bonds valued at \$17,000; corporate bonds and notes, \$29,000; real estate notes, \$23,000; corporate stock, \$90,000; cash, \$10,000; and a life insurance policy valued at \$4,125.

WOMEN WILL DISCUSS FOOD PROBLEM OF D. C.

Mrs. Edward P. Costigan, president of the Consumers' League of the District of Columbia, will be the principal speaker at a meeting at the home of Mrs. Basil M. Manly, 1853 Irving street northwest, Wednesday afternoon at 8:30, to discuss the general food question. Mrs. Costigan has recently completed a speaking tour throughout the west, where she made a special study of the food problem in other cities.

DRIVE FUND GROWS.

Contributions to the Florence Crittenton Home drive for the purchase of a new home in the suburbs total \$3,438.55 to date. It was announced today. Mrs. J. D. Melvin and Mrs. Fred Mitchell stored at the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company Friday afternoon during the severe snow and collected \$100 from the workers.

SNEAK THIEVES ACTIVE.

Thieves entered the apartments of M. D. Rees, and Charles E. Tribby, Jr., 1440 W street northwest, during the past few days according to a report made to the police last night. The stolen articles were valued at \$40.

TRIVIAL CASES RULE REALTORS

Protest Filed With Rent Board Over Complaints of Minor Importance.

A storm of protest against trivial cases and a questioning of its constitutional authority occupied the stage with the District rent commission this morning.

While Washington real estate people, who have figured in complaints generally as agents, have usually been in accord with the decisions of the rent commission, they are voicing protest against the nature of cases filed against them.

Complaints may involve small matters like papering rooms or minor repairs, which real estate agents believe should never come before the commission. A number of such cases when they come up for hearing.

Even though the decision is in favor of the real estate agent of the landlord he represents, the expenditure of money for counsel, the loss of time, and the inconvenience caused is a source of complaint.

It was argued today that the rent commission should establish some precedent whereby, according to the very nature of some complaints, they would be dismissed before summons was served.

It was evidenced this morning that there is a growing opinion that the authority which the Rent Commission is exercising is not constitutional. A number of cases are now in preparation for the Court of Appeals to settle this mooted point.

Six Cases to Be Heard.

The commission is in session today, with six cases listed for hearing. The complaints involve disputes of possession and rentals.

The commission announced the following cases for hearing tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock:

Edwin Tillon against Clara E. Graves, issue of sufficiency of notice, 117 Tenth street northeast.

William Pirie and Nellie Pirie against J. J. Russell, increase in rent, Margaret A. W. Robinson against R. H. E. Smith, issue of sufficiency of notice, apartment No. 6, the Brunswick.

A. F. Cogswell against Mahlon Groo, excessive rent, 815 I street northwest.

Mrs. Margaret A. Rice against F. H. Smith, Company, agents, excessive rent, apartment No. 9, the M. Pleasant.

R. T. Williams against J. M. Benson, possession, 610 Harvard street northwest.

James E. Conrill and others against James L. Karkick, excessive rent, the Monmouth Hotel, 1819 G street northwest.

In this latter case there are 109 complainants.

Mr. Karkick has asked for a postponement of the case until his return from Europe. This request was denied by the commission.

COUNTRY GIRL, 15, ACCUSES CITY BOY

Met at Beach, Went for Auto Ride—Wouldn't Wed, She Says.

Arthur Bradley Lakin, twenty-two, of 3012 Warder street northwest, was yesterday locked up at No. 9 precinct on a serious charge preferred by pretty fifteen-year-old Margaret Crane through her mother, Mrs. Bertha Crane, a widow, of Bladensburg, Md.

According to the story the girl told Magistrate Robert E. Joyce, at Mt. Rainier, she met Lakin at Chesapeake Beach last summer and accepted an invitation to go automobile riding with him. Later, the girl says, Lakin brought her to Washington to stay with one of his friends. He promised to marry her, the girl says. He has since refused to do this, however, she charges.

Another of the girl met Lakin in a restaurant in Washington early yesterday morning. Calling a policeman, he had Lakin arrested. J. Wilson Ryan, State's attorney for Prince George's county, will go to Annapolis Wednesday to secure extradition papers that Lakin may be arraigned for trial in Prince George's county.

CARDINAL GIBBONS BANS MASSES BEGUN AT NOON

In accordance with a proclamation, issued by Cardinal Gibbons, no midday masses in Catholic churches will be celebrated after July 1. The order will affect the Sacred Heart and St. Martin's churches in this city, where noonday masses on Sunday were inaugurated during the war to accommodate the large crowd of war workers that came to the city.

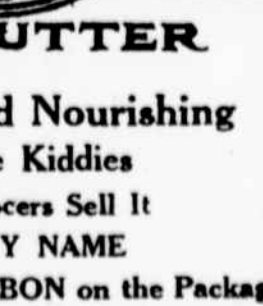
The cardinal's letter places a ban on midday masses throughout the archdiocese of Baltimore and prescribes that the last mass shall begin not later than 11 o'clock.

ACCIDENT PUTS OUT LIGHTS.

Churches and theaters in the downtown section of the city were without electric light for half an hour last evening, following the crippling of a motor in the Benning plant of the Potomac Electric Power Company, due to a small blaze in an oil tank which caused a short circuit.

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